

Senate File 451

H-8278

1 Amend Senate File 451, as amended, passed, and
2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:

3 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause
4 and inserting:

5 <Section 1. Section 257.41, Code 2011, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 **257.41 Funding for programs for returning dropouts**
8 **and dropout prevention.**

9 1. *Budget.* The budget of an approved program for
10 returning dropouts and dropout prevention for a school
11 district, after subtracting funds received from other
12 sources for that purpose, shall be funded annually on
13 a basis of one-fourth or more from the district cost
14 of the school district and up to three-fourths by an
15 increase in allowable growth as defined in section
16 257.8. Annually, the department of management shall
17 establish a modified allowable growth for each such
18 school district equal to the difference between the
19 approved budget for the program for returning dropouts
20 and dropout prevention for that district and the sum of
21 the amount funded from the district cost of the school
22 district plus funds received from other sources.

23 2. *Appropriate uses of funding.* Appropriate uses of
24 the returning dropout and dropout prevention program
25 funding include but are not limited to the following:

26 a. Salary and benefits for instructional staff,
27 instructional support staff, and school-based youth
28 services staff who are working with students who
29 are participating in dropout prevention programs,
30 alternative programs, and alternative schools, in
31 a traditional or alternative setting, if the staff
32 person's time is dedicated to working with returning
33 dropouts or students who are deemed, at any time
34 during the school year, to be at risk of dropping out,
35 in order to provide services beyond those which are
36 provided by the school district to students who are
37 not identified as at risk of dropping out. However,
38 if the staff person works part-time with students who
39 are participating in returning dropout and dropout
40 prevention programs, alternative programs, and
41 alternative schools and has another unrelated staff
42 assignment, only the portion of the staff person's
43 time that is related to the returning dropout and
44 dropout prevention program, alternative program, or
45 alternative school may be charged to the program. For
46 purposes of this paragraph, if an alternative setting
47 is necessary to provide for a program which is offered
48 at a location off school grounds and which is intended
49 to serve student needs by improving relationships
50 and connections to school, decreasing truancy and

1 tardiness, providing opportunities for course credit
2 recovery, or helping students identified as at risk
3 of dropping out to accelerate through multiple grade
4 levels of achievement within a shortened time frame,
5 the tuition costs for a student identified as at risk
6 of dropping out shall be considered an appropriate use
7 of the returning dropout and dropout prevention program
8 funding.

9 b. Professional development for all teachers and
10 staff working with at-risk students and programs
11 involving dropout prevention strategies.

12 c. Research-based resources, materials, software,
13 supplies, and purchased services that meet all of the
14 following criteria:

15 (1) Meets the needs of kindergarten through grade
16 twelve students identified as at risk of dropping out
17 and of returning dropouts.

18 (2) Are beyond those provided by the regular school
19 program.

20 (3) Are necessary to provide the services listed in
21 the school district's dropout prevention plan.

22 (4) Will remain with the kindergarten through
23 grade twelve returning dropout and dropout prevention
24 program.

25 d. Up to five percent of the total budgeted amount
26 received pursuant to subsection 1 may be used for
27 purposes of providing district-wide or building-wide
28 returning dropout and dropout prevention programming
29 targeted to students who are not deemed at risk of
30 dropping out.

31 3. Limitation. For the fiscal year beginning July
32 1, 2013, and each succeeding fiscal year, the ratio of
33 the amount of modified allowable growth established by
34 the department of management compared to the school
35 district's total regular program district cost shall
36 not exceed the highest such ratio for the school
37 district for any fiscal year beginning before July 1,
38 2013.

39 Sec. 2. APPLICABILITY. This Act is applicable to
40 budget years beginning on or after July 1, 2013.>

41 2. Title page, line 3, after <prevention> by
42 inserting <and including applicability provisions>

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